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In re Application of Frederick M. Burg Application No. 10/086,205 Filed: October 25, 2001

ON PETITION

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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed February 5, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

## The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner in reply to the non-final Office action mailed May 2, 2003, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 have been obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on August 3, 2003.

The statement of unintentional delay was not signed by a person who would have been in a position of knowing that the delay in filing a timely response was unintentional. Nevertheless, in accordance with 37 CFR 10.18, the statement is accepted as constituting a certification of unintentional delay. However, in the event that petitioner has no knowledge that the delay was in fact unintentional, petitioner should make a reasonable inquiry to ascertain that, in fact, the delay was unintentional.

There is no indication that the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute the above-identified application. However, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.34, the signature of Brian F. Hanlon appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he acts. If Brian F. Hanlon desires to receive future correspondence regarding this application, an appropriate power of attorney or authorization of agent must be submitted. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to petitioner. Nevertheless, all future correspondence will be directed solely to the address of record until otherwise instructed.

This application is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 2643 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (703) 308-6911.

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